

In Memory Of
Leading Stoker

GEORGE HECTOR DALLEY

Service Number: D/KX 75927

H.M.S. Gloucester, Royal Navy who died on 22 May 1941 Age 32

Son of George and Letitia Dalley, husband of Edith Rose Dalley, of West Malvern, Worcestershire.

Remembered with Honour

PLYMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL

Panel 52, Column 1.



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Name: DALLEY, George Hector

Date of Birth: 30th October 1906

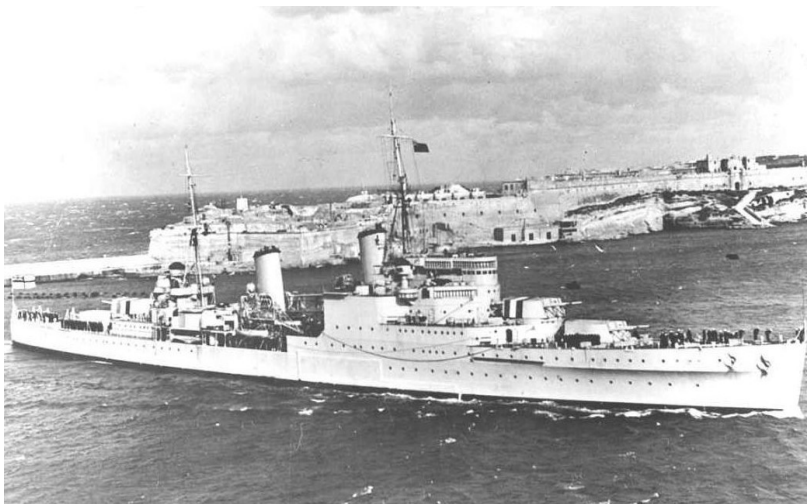
Date of Death: 22nd May 1941

Age at Death: 32

Service Number: D/KX 75927

Rank: Leading Stoker

Unit: H.M.S. Gloucester



Military Service

George joined the Navy on 30th March 1926. He served on a number of different vessels before he was a crew member of H.M.S. Gloucester when it went into service in the Mediterranean. In less than a year's service in the Mediterranean, HMS Gloucester had won five battle honours but lost over 700 men, including two Commanding Officers.

H.M.S. Gloucester was sunk in May 1941 when the Royal Navy prevented German forces effecting a sea-borne landing on the island of Crete. The mission exacted a heavy toll and German dive-bombers destroyed both the Gloucester and the new cruiser Fiji on the same day, 22nd May 1941. HMS Gloucester was sunk in the Eastern Mediterranean in the Antikythera Channel about 15 nautical miles west of Antikythera island, Greece in position 35°50'N, 23°00'E by German Ju-88 and Ju-87 bombers. 46 officers and 648 men were killed when she sank.

Commemorated/Memorial

Plymouth Navy Memorial, Panel 52, Column 1.

Within Gloucester Cathedral there is a stained glass window memorial to HMS Gloucester.



Colwall Connection

The 1911 Census has the Dalley family living at Valley Cottage, Colwall Green. George was the son of George and Letitia Dalley. He married Edith Rose Dalley (nee Bevan) of West Malvern towards the end of 1930.